

## **NURSES AND COMPUTER-BASED NURSING DOCUMENTATION SYSTEM AT HOSPITALS OF BASRA CITY CENTER**

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### **ABSTRACT**

The study was conducted at three governmental hospitals and another private one in Basra city center. A descriptive design was carried out through the period **October 19<sup>th</sup> 2014 to December 26<sup>th</sup> 2014**. The study aims to assess, investigate nurses' knowledge and their acceptance regarding computerized documentation firstly, to assess hospitals' awareness toward computer –based nursing documentation system secondly. The sample represents 100 nurses who work at these hospitals from different educational levels (preparatory, institute, college of nursing). A questionnaire was prepared which comprised 10 items related to the subject of study. Researchers collected the data through the application of structural interview. Data collection was initiated **from the 30<sup>th</sup> of October to the 30<sup>th</sup> of November 2014**. Data were analyzed through the application of frequency and percentage. The study concluded that there is no adoption and application of computer programs in nursing fieldat Basra center hospitals (private and governmental) and they depend on paper documentation up to date and this is due to the policies of these hospitals. The study recommended that the policies of these hospitals have to adopt and applicate computer-based nursing documentation system as a part of their policies and involenurses in more educating courses about computer particularly this documentation system.

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